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E.O. 11652: GDS TAGS: MASS, SN

SUBJ: U.S. ARMS SALES POLICY

REF: A. STATE 115409, B. STATE 115244, C. STATE 118191

1. DURING CALL ON PERM SEC MFA CHIA CHEONG FOOK ON MAY 26 CHARGE PROVIDED TEXT OF PRESIDENT'S DECISION ON ARMS SALES POLICY AND BRIEFED HIM IN ACCORDANCE WITH GUIDANCE PROVIDED REF B. CHIA LISTENED CAREFULLY AND EXPRESSED OPINION THAT SUCCESS OF U.S. POLICY WOULD DEPEND ON OUR ABILITY TO PERSUADE OTHER GOVERNMENTS INVOLVED IN SUPPLYING ARMS TO FOREIGN BUYERS TO PURSUE A SIMILAR POLICY OF RESTRAINT.

2. DURING DISCUSSION OF IMPACT OF NEW ARMS POLICY ON SINGAPORE CHARGE NOTED THAT BARRING UNUSUAL CIRCUMSTANCES, U.S. WOULD HONOR CONTRACTS ALREADY SIGNED AND WOULD CONSIDER FUTURE GOS REQUESTS ON A CASE BY CASE BASIS. WITH REFERENCE TO GOS REQUEST TO PURCHASE I-HAWK MISSILES AND ITS INTEREST IN DEVELOPING JOINT PRODUCTION M-203 GRENADE LAUNCHER WITH RTG, CHARGE REMAINED NON-COMMITTAL NOTING THAT THESE MATTERS INVOLVED INTERPRETATION OF NEW GUIDELINES AND WOULD BE CAREFULLY CONFIDENTIAL

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CONSIDERED IN WASHINGTON.

3. DATT WILL BRIEF PERM SEC FOR DEFENSE PAN TEE POW ALONG SAME LINES NEXT WEEK. GRANT

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